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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

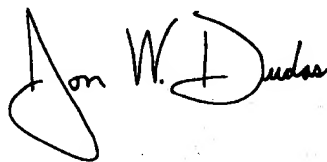
Column 4, line 40, change "commodity B" to --commodity 8--;

Column 7, after line 22, add:

--Fig. 8 shows customer computer 78 connecting to commodity seller computers 82, 84, and 86 via a network, such as the Internet 80. The customer computer 78 presents the commodity seller computers 82, 84, and 86 with its commodity requirements and information necessary to determine the cost of the requested commodity and the associated financial instrument. In an alternate embodiment, the customer computer 78 connects to a querying computer, which collects information from the customer, retrieves the price combinations from the commodity seller computers 82, 84, and 86 and returns the best offer price to the customer. In yet another embodiment the querying computer contacts both commodity seller computers 82, 84, and 86 and financial instrument selling computers and presents the customer with the best combined price.--

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